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Wisconsin Ag News – Milk Prices



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The Wisconsin all milk price for July 2018 was \$15.30 per hundredweight (cwt) according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Agricultural Prices* report. This was \$1.20 lower than last month's price and \$1.80 lower than last July's price.

The U.S. all milk price for July was \$15.40 per cwt, 10 cents higher than Wisconsin's price but 90 cents lower than last month's U.S. price. All of the 23 major milk producing states had a lower price when compared with June. Wisconsin and Oregon had the largest declines in price, both down \$1.20 per cwt. However, New Mexico and Michigan had the lowest prices in the nation, at \$14.10 and \$14.20, respectively.

The Chicago Mercantile Exchange* (CME) 40-pound block cheese price closed at \$1.6675 per pound on August 29, while barrels were \$1.6100 per pound. The CME butter price was \$2.2725 per pound.

For the week ending August 25, 2018, the Agricultural Marketing Service* U.S. weekly 40-pound block cheese price averaged \$1.6275 per pound, and 500 pound barrels adjusted to 38 percent moisture averaged \$1.5901 per pound. The U.S. butter price was \$2.3649 per pound.

Prices Received for All Milk - Selected States and United States

[Before deduction for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.]

| State | July 2017 | | June 2018 | | July 2018 | |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| | Price | Fat test | Price | Fat test | Price | Fat test |
| | (dollars per cwt) | (percent) | (dollars per cwt) | (percent) | (dollars per cwt) | (percent) |
| California | 16.46 | 3.70 | 15.63 | 3.74 | 15.05 | 3.70 |
| Idaho | 16.50 | 3.73 | 15.70 | 3.82 | 14.90 | 3.79 |
| lowa | 17.30 | 3.73 | 16.20 | 3.76 | 15.20 | 3.75 |
| Michigan | 16.00 | 3.59 | 14.80 | 3.52 | 14.20 | 3.50 |
| Minnesota | 16.90 | 3.74 | 16.20 | 3.80 | 15.20 | 3.79 |
| New Mexico | 15.90 | 3.51 | 15.00 | 3.56 | 14.10 | 3.56 |
| New York | 18.00 | 3.72 | 16.90 | 3.74 | 16.10 | 3.70 |
| Pennsylvania | 18.70 | 3.72 | 17.00 | 3.68 | 16.20 | 3.65 |
| Texas | 18.00 | 3.92 | 17.20 | 3.91 | 16.10 | 3.91 |
| Wisconsin | 17.10 | 3.67 | 16.50 | 3.75 | 15.30 | 3.72 |
| United States | 17.20 | 3.70 | 16.30 | 3.73 | 15.40 | 3.71 |

^{*} Links to data are available at www.ams.usda.gov/market-news/dairy.